GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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HERBAL MEDICINE HUBS
PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to establish Herbal Medicine Hubs in the country in order to tap the vast resources of the country in the field of herbal medicines;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) if not, the reasons therefore; and

(d) the steps being taken/have been taken by the Union Government to boost the production of Herbal Medicines in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) There is no proposal for establishment of Herbal Medicine Hubs.

(c) & (d) (1) Government has set up a National Medicinal Plants Board for overall growth and development of raw drugs.

(2) A scheme has been implemented for setting up of medicinal plants/herbal gardens and development of Agro-techniques for cultivation of medicinal plants.

(3) A scheme for strengthening of State Pharmacies has been implemented during the 9th Plan to boost the production of Ayurvedic, Siddha & Unani herbal medicines in the country.